



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
CONSTRUCTION CODES COORDINATING BOARD**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**Minutes of Thursday, June 16, 2011**

10:00am – 12:00pm

1100 4th Street, SW

Director's Conference Room, 5th Floor  
Washington, DC 20024

Members Present	Members Not Present	Members of the Public
Paul Waters, Acting Chair		
Alex Berley, Vice Chair		
Curtis Clay		
Marc Fetterman		
Robert Hershey		
Dave Hollinger by conference call		
Ethan Landis		
Rabbiah Sabbakhan		
Jill Stern		
Herbert Taylor		

***Call to Order***

Paul Waters called the meeting to order at 10:12am and followed with a roll call of members present.

***Review and approval of the meeting agenda with Amendments***

The meeting agenda was approved unanimously by the Board with the following amendments added:

**(1) Code Change Proposal (5) and the DC Construction Code Change Proposals 2009 – 2011  
Amendments Listing**

Marc Fetterman presented the following amendments and code change proposal listings all amendment changes that were either approved or disapproved by the Board. The Board will take action at the CCCB regular meeting on July 21, 2011.

- a. Electrical, Article 90 (Elec-0-1-11)
- b. Fuel Gas, Chapter 1 (MECH-5-11)
- c. Mechanical, Chapter 1 (MECH-6-11)
- d. Plumbing, Chapter 1 (MECH-7-11)



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e. Residential, Chapter 1 (R-1-1-11)

**(2) Green Update**

Paul Waters and Ethan Landis provided a status update on the draft DC Green Building Code.

1. Ethan Landis and Cliff Majersik met with DCRA Director (Nicholas Majett) and provided an update on where they are with the Green code. During the meeting Paul Waters informed Ethan Landis that he would need the Green TAG to formally present any recommendations/comments that they had to the CCCCBB so that they could vote on any Green items. As a follow-up Ethan Landis had asked to amend the agenda so that he could give the Board an update on the draft Green code.
2. The draft Green code has been distributed to DCBIA and AOBA, as of today comments have been received from DCBIA, but not AOBA.
3. The Green TAG would like to set-up a future meeting to present the draft Green code to the Board and go thru the document section by section and discuss the next steps for moving it forward for submission.
4. Alex Berley asked Ethan Landis when does he expect to receive comments from AOBA? Ethan informed him that AOBA has had three months to submit comments to him and as of today he would consider them having none. In addition AOBA received a copy of DCBIA comments.
5. On June 15, 2011, Ethan Landis and Cliff Majersik gave a Green code presentation to the Green Building Advisory Committee (GBAC) at the Department of the Environment (DDOE). In addition the GBAC received a copy of the Green code document and has been asked to review and make comments. The committee will be writing a letter in support of the document.
6. Ethan Landis asked if the CCCCBB wants to make a recommendation to the Mayor and Director of DCRA to publically make a statement concerning Green. (Board has roundtable discussion)
7. Paul Waters recommended that Ethan Landis and Cliff Majersik draft a statement to present to the Board for review and then to the Mayor and the Director.

Paul Waters asked Board members if there were any additional comments.

1. Marc Fetterman followed up on a matter raised at an earlier CCCCBB meeting. Does the Green Building Act of 2006 give the CCCCBB the responsibility and authority to pass Green codes? Is it the responsibility of the GBAC or the CCCCBB?



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2. Paul Waters informed him that there is currently nothing in writing or in place that bars the Board from adding an additional code and as a follow-up he will get a formal answer in writing.
3. Paul asked if the Green code should be added to the next meeting agenda for submission to the Board. The Board agreed to have a Special meeting on June 23, 2011 to discuss the submission of the Green code document.
4. Ethan Landis will electronically distribute version 4 of the draft DC Green code document, prior to the next meeting.

***Revisions to Draft Construction Code Supplement 2011 12 DCMR A***

On May 27, 2011 Paul Waters distributed a red-line electronic copy of Chapter 1 and Chapters 2-34 to Board members for review and edits. Rabbiah Sabbakhan previously proposed additional amendments to Chapter 1 and Marc Fetterman has amended and provided comments for Chapter 2-34.

Paul Waters asked Rabbiah Sabbakhan to give an overview of his proposed amendments; in addition Jill Stern requested to go over the entire Chapter 1, section by section. Rabbiah Sabbakhan agreed.

**a. Chapter 1 – Administration and Enforcement**

The Board reviewed and amended the following sections and subsection indicated below. All chapter section edits will be reflected in a revised copy that will be distributed to Board members, prior to the June 30, 2011 CCCB Special meeting.

- 101.4.7 – Energy Conservation Code
- 104.9.5 – Commercial Modular Structure
- 104.10.1 – Procedure for Modification
- 105.1 – Required Permits
- 105.1.6 – Licensing Requirements
- 105.2 – Exception #10
- 105.2 – Exception #14
- 105.2 – Exception #17
- 105.3.1.2 – Third-Party Plan Review Procedures
- 105.3.4 – Approval of Partial Plans
- 105.3.8 – Amendments to Permit



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- 105.3.10 – Certification of Green Building Designs
- 105.3.10.1.5 (Requirement under 105.3.10.1)
- 105.5.1 – Extension of Permit
- 105.5.2 – Lapsed Permits
- 105.5.3 – Transferability of Permits
- 105.5.5 – Non transferrable Supplemental Permits
- 106.1.1 – Engineering Details
- 106.1.1.1 – Shop Drawings (Exception)
- 106.1.5 – Fire Protection
- 106.1.6 – Elevator and Other Conveying Systems Documents
- 106.1.9.1 – Exemptions
- 106.1.11 – Energy Conservation Documents
- 106.1.11.1 – Deemed to Comply
- Rabbiah Sabbakhan will revise language prior to next meeting 6.23.11.
- 106.1.13 – Official Building Plat
- 106.2 – Site Plan (#9)
- 106.6.7 – master Service or Master Meter Covenants for Maser Service or Master Metering
- 110.1.5 – Certificate Issued (#5), (#7), (#10), (#12)

**b. Chapters 2 – 34**

The Board was not able to go thru Chapters 2 - 34; this item has been deferred to the next CCCB Special Meeting on June 23, 2011.

The Board unanimously agreed to have a Special meeting on June 23, 2011 to finish reviewing/amending Chapter 1 – Sections 119-121, review Chapters 2 – 34 and review the draft DC Green code.

***Comments by Member of the Public***

***Meeting Adjourned at 12:45pm***

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 23, 2011 – 10:00am – 12:00pm